STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

PALM BEACH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,

Petitioner,

DOAH Case No. 16-2441

vs.

CRYSTAL EDWARDS,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE, came before The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida (hereinafter referred to as "SCHOOL BOARD") pursuant to §120.569 and §120.57, Fla. Stat., after an administrative hearing was conducted before the Honorable Lisa Shearer Nelson on November 9, 2016. The Recommended Order was entered by the Honorable Lisa Shearer Nelson on December 16, 2016, recommending that a final order be entered by the Palm Beach County School Board disciplining Respondent with an unpaid suspension covering the period of time Respondent has been suspended from her duties as a bus driver and termination of employment. Neither party filed exceptions to the Recommended Order.

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. That the Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to §120.57, Fla. Stat.

2. That the Board hereby accepts and approves the findings, conclusion and recommendations of the Recommended Order dated January 24, 2017, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

4. That this Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with the Clerk of the SCHOOL BOARD.

Filed March 8, 2017 12:42 PM Division of Administrative Hearings

DONE and ORDERED this _____ day of February, 2017.

The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida

Chuck Shaw, Chairman

Robert M. Avossa, Ed, D., Superintendent

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

This Final Order constitutes final agency action. Any party who is adversely affected by this Final Order has the right to seek judicial review of the Final Order pursuant to Section 120.68, Fla. Stat. Review proceedings are governed by the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. Such proceedings are commenced by filing one copy of a notice of appeal with the agency clerk of The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida, and a second copy, accompanied by appropriate filing fees as prescribed by law, with Fourth District Court of Appeals, or with the District Court of Appeal in the Appellate District, where the party resides, if applicable. The notice of appeal must be filed within thirty (30) days of rendition of the Order to be reviewed.

Respectfully submitted this $\underline{\otimes}$ day of $\underline{\mathbb{N}}$ arch , 2017.

JulieAnn Rico, Esq. General Counsel for The School Board of Palm Beach County, Florida

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Final Order has been furnished via email to Crystal Edwards at Edwards_Crystal1983@yahoo.com, this 34 day of February, 2017.

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